

EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

The Graduate Diploma in Early Childhood Education gives formal recognition to those graduate students who have undertaken concentrated research and study concerning the education of young children (birth to age eight).

Choice of two options:

- Concurrent (Option A): The requirements for this Graduate Diploma are completed concurrently with a Master's or Doctoral degree.
- Direct-entry (Option B): This Graduate Diploma can be completed as a stand-alone non-degree diploma.

Structure of the Diploma

Course only MEd	MEd with MRP
Degree + Diploma = 27 Credits*, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Diploma core course (3.0) • 3 courses from approved course list (9.0) • Elective credits (15.0) 	Degree + Diploma = 21 credits* + MRP including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Diploma core course (3.0) • 2 courses from approved course list (6.0) • Elective credits (12.0) • MRP must address diploma topic

MEd with Thesis	PhD with Dissertation
Degree + Diploma = 15 Credits* + thesis including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Diploma core course (3.0) • 2 courses from approved course list (6.0) • Elective credits (6.0 credits) • Thesis must address diploma topic 	Degree + Diploma = 24 credits* + dissertation including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Diploma core course (3.0) • 2 courses from approved course list (6.0) • Elective credits (15.0)** • Dissertation must address diploma topic

*Includes 1 extra course (3.0) beyond MEd or PhD degree requirements

**Includes Doctoral Seminar (EDUC 5100)

Direct Entry (Stand-Alone Diploma)

Diploma = 12 Credits including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Diploma core course (3.0) • 3 courses (9.0) from approved course list

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(Students must complete this checklist page and have it signed by the Diploma Coordinator prior to submitting to the Graduate Program in Education Office, prior to convocation)

Check which diploma option you are completing:

- Option A (course only): I have completed the following **3 courses** (9.0) (check course list)
- Option A (MRP/Thesis/Dissertation): I have completed the following **2 courses** (6.0) (check course list)
- Option B (Direct Entry): I have completed the following **3 courses** (9.0) (check course list)

Check which courses you have completed from this approved course list:

- EDUC 5340 3.0: Adolescent & Children's Literature
- EDUC 5400 3.0: Education and Childhood in Canadian History
- EDUC 5530 3.0: Emergent Literacy
- EDUC 5535 3.0: Family Literacy
- EDUC 5541 3.0: Studies in Childhood: Issues in Research and Representation
- EDUC 5545 3.0: The Reggio Emilia Approach to Early Childhood Education
- EDUC 5546 3.0: Pedagogical Documentation in Early Childhood Education
- EDUC 5550 3.0: Play, Language and Learning
- EDUC 5725 3.0: Critical Perspectives on the Theory and Research on the Behaviour of Young Children
- EDUC 5845 3.0: Mathematics and Sciences Understanding in Early Childhood

In addition to the degree (Option A) and diploma requirements, I have completed the core course:

- EDUC 5540 3.0: Educating Young Children (**please check**)

My MRP/Thesis/Dissertation topic is in the Early Childhood Education area (*i.e. concerning children aged 8 and under*).

MRP/Thesis/Dissertation Title

Student's name

Student's signature

Date

Approved by the Early Childhood in Education Diploma Coordinator:

Coordinator's name

Coordinator's signature

Date